REMARKS

Claims 2, 5-42 and 59-82 have been allowed. Claims 1 and 3-4 have been indicated

allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112. Claim 46 has been indicated

allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112 and to include all of the

limitations of the claims from which claim 46 depends. Claim 54 has been indicated as allowable if

rewritten to include all of the limitations of the claims from which claim 54 depends.

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 43 have been amended as the Examiner suggested to overcome the

rejection of claims 1, 3, 4 and 43-50 under 35 U.S.C. §112. As such, claims 1, 3, 4 and 43-50 are

believed to be allowable under 35 U.S.C. §112.

The rejection of claims 43-45, 47-53 and 55-58 as obvious under 35 U.S.C. §103 in view of

Johnson et al. 5,813,280 is respectfully traversed. Claims 43 and 51 have been amended to specify

that the first acoustic wave that is generated in the acoustic wave cavity is sensitive to ice and is

insensitive to water whereas the second acoustic wave generated in the acoustic wave cavity is

sensitive to water. These claims are believed to be allowable for the reasons discussed by the

Examiner in the Office Action in which he indicated the allowable subject matter.

All of the claims are believed to be allowable for the reasons discussed above.

Reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

July 18, 2005

500 West Madison St., 34th Floor

McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Ltd.

Chicago, Illinois 60661

(312) 775-8000

21